

In the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of managing a set of digital assets transmitted over a communications network, the method comprising:

receiving a set of digital assets that are packaged together ~~in a predetermined manner~~;
unpackaging the digital assets to define at least two discrete assets;
for each digital asset, determining ~~an~~ a digital asset type;
determining a destination for each digital asset based on the asset type; and
distributing the digital assets to the appropriate destinations.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving the set of digital assets comprises receiving the digital assets packaged as a single file.

3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the single file comprises a self-executing file.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving the digital assets comprises receiving at least graphical images and continuous stream media clips that are packaged together ~~in a predetermined manner~~.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving the digital assets comprises receiving one or more of graphical images, continuous stream media clips, clips of animation, telemetry clips, and video files.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving the digital assets comprises receiving the digital assets over a computer network.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein unpackaging the digital assets comprises processing the package to separate the digital assets into individual files.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein processing the package comprises:

receiving the packaged digital assets, wherein the packaged digital assets include executable code and a plurality of blocks of compressed data;

identifying a first one of the blocks;

processing identification information contained in the block to determine the contents of the block; and

decompressing the data in the block if the block is a compressed file block.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein determining the type of digital asset comprises determining the file type for each digital asset.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein determining the file type comprises determining the file extension of the digital asset.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein determining the destination comprises determining an appropriate server for the digital asset based on the type of digital asset.

12. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein distributing the digital assets comprises distributing the digital assets to appropriate servers.

13. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein distributing comprises distributing streaming media files to a streaming media server, and distributing files containing web page data to a web server.

14. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the set of digital assets is packaged as a single, executable file including plural blocks, and wherein unpackaging comprises:

identifying the respective blocks; and

processing identification information contained in the block to determine the contents of the block.

15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
performing an authentication check on the set of digital assets, and discarding the digital assets if the authentication check fails.

16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

performing a virus scan on the respective digital assets, and discarding the digital assets that contain a virus.

17. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
authenticating a user prior to receiving the set of digital assets from the user.

18. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
notifying one or more recipients regarding the set of digital assets;
receiving a request for the set of digital assets from one of the recipients; and
presenting the set of digital assets to the recipient.

19. (Original) The method of claim 18, further comprising:
authenticating the recipient prior to presenting the set of digital assets.

20. (Original) The method of claim 18, wherein presenting the set of digital assets comprises determining the distribution preference of the recipient, and presenting the set of digital assets to the recipient in the desired manner.

21. (Original) The method of claim 20, wherein the set of digital assets are downloaded to the recipient.

22. (Original) The method of claim 20, wherein the set of digital assets are streamed to the recipient in real time.

23-55. (Canceled)

56. (Currently Amended) A method of managing a set of digital assets transmitted over a communications network, the method comprising:

receiving a set of digital assets that are packaged together ~~in a predetermined manner~~;

unpackaging the digital assets to define at least two discrete digital assets;

wherein a server is operative to unpackage the digital assets, determine the file types of the respective digital assets, and to distribute the digital assets to the appropriate servers based on the determined files types;

for each digital asset, determining ~~an~~ a digital asset type;

determining a destination for each digital asset based on the digital asset type;

distributing the digital assets to the appropriate destinations.